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RAILROAD NEWS FROM ALL POINTS.

Baltimore and Ohio to Place Bloc Signals Between Chicago and Ohio River.

MANY HUNDRED SEMAPHORES.

Installation of System Will Call for Increase in Telegraph Operators-Road for Honduras-Notes.

Chicago, Aug. 11 .- A complete system of block signals is to be installed on all lines of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad between Chicago and the Ohio River. What is known as the Manual pattern of signal will be used, and they will be placed at all important stations and at intermediate points where business is heavy. When the work shall have been finished the road will be equipped with several hundred of the semaphores.

"A block signal system will be established on the lines north of the Ohio River, with the object of furthering safety of travel," said an officer of the road. "The Baltimore and Ohio lines north of the river have never been equipped with these safety devices, though the system south or east of the river has been provided with them for several years. The experiment on the eastern half of the system has been so satisfactory that the officers of the company decided to duplicate the signals north of the river. The block signals do not particularly facilitate the operation of a railroad—that is, they do not allow trains to be run any faster—in fact, they are impediments to fast running, but by being obstacles to speed they are conservators of travel. The prime and really only object of the block is safety. On a single-track road they are absolutely necessary. They will be used principally for passenger trains-that is, they will serve as blocks to this class of trains and will be

used as cautionary signals to freight trains."

The installation of the block system on the Baltimore and Ohio will necessitate an increase in telegraph operators, those now employed being used to handle the signals. The expense of the new system on the lines west of the Ohio River will be about \$12,008.

SHREVEPORT EXTENSION. Some Advantages Gained by the Mis-

Souri, Kansas and Texas.

The extension of the service of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad to Sherveport, La., promises to be one of great benefit to that city and the section of which it is the principal market. The first freight train into Shreveport by the new route was recently sent over the line, and carried flour, coal, wheat and miscellaneous freight.

By its new connection Shreveport will be brought into close contact with a large area of Northeastern Texas, as well as the Indian Territory, and its jobbing and retail trade will undoubtedly be greatly increased, while the possibilities are that it will become a much more important lumbercenter than it is at present. But a few years ago the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf, now the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf, now the Kansas City Southern, was extended to Shreveport, with the result that it secured a direct route to tidewater, a very important advantage.

With the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, the city is now located on one of the most important east and west trunk lines, as well as one of the principal north and south bystems of the country.

BRIDGE AT LOUISVILLE.

BRIDGE AT LOUISVILLE. Purchased by the B. & O. S-W., Monon

Official announcement has been made that the Monon, in conection with the Battimore and Ohio Southwestern and the Southern Railway, has purchased the Kentucky and Indiana Bridge and Terminal Company. The price paid was \$750,000, the purchaser assum-ing the liability under a mortgage amounting the liability under a mortgage amounting to \$1,000,000, and given by the bridge company prior to its going into the hands of a receiver.

of a receiver.

The bridge property crosses the river into The bridge property crosses the river into Louisville at a point near New Albany. The Monon will use this bridge for its freight, but will continue to use the old Louisville bridge for its passenger service. The name of the bridge company has been changed by the new owners to the Kentucky and Indiana Bridge and Rallroad Company. F. S. Gannon of the Southern has been elected president of the company, and President McDoel of the Monon has been made vice president. The joint owners expect to spend some money upon the bridge property and put it in perfect tepair.

MILITARY POOL.

Eastern Lines Making the Govern-ment Pay Well for Troops.

Eastern trunk lines have entered into ps. The fact was evidenced on the when the Government officials opened troops. The fact was evidenced on the 7th, when the Government officials opened bids for the transportation of several hattalions from the neighborhood of Washington to San Francisco. But one bid found its way to the Quartermaster's office, and it was so high that the officials climbed on the roof to see it. The bid was by the Southern road, and offered to carry the officers to Ogden for \$47.10 each and the soldiers for \$40.69 each. From Ogden west the Southern Pacific will get \$23 first class and \$18.40 second class, making the rate from Washington to the coast \$70.10 first class and \$59.09 second class. The difference between combination and no compination is seen when it is known that the last bid for the transportation of troops to and from the transportation of troops to and from the same places was \$14.65 second class.

SAFETY APPLIANCES.

Interstate Commerce Commission

Men on the Lookout.

It is reported that secret agents of the Interstate Commerce Commission are in the city for the purpose of securing evidence against railroads for violation of the law requiring airbrakes and automatic couplers on all freight cars in service. Despite the repeated extensions of time allowed the railroads to properly equip all their cars, quite a number not properly equipped are to be found in the yards of every railroad company. The law prescribes a penalty of \$100 for the use of a car not supplied with airbrakes and automatic couplers. In cases where cars are simply being forwarded to shops to be fitted with the safety appliances it is not likely that any complaint would be made by the Interstate Commerce Commission, but it is stated that willful violations will be punished to the extent of the law. Men on the Lookout.

Tennessee Central Construction.

The difficulties attending the construction of the Tennessee Central Railroad are referred to by the Railway Review in an elaborate illustrated article. The country through which this road is to traverse is one of the most difficult for railroad construction. Already, however, about thirty-five miles have been completed. A number of large bridges have been built, while a considerable amount of tunnes work is required. The highest and longest bridge on the line includes 1.115 feet of wooden trestle and about 490 feet of steel viaduct. Its greatest height is 124 feet. One of the tunnels is 900 feet long, and is excavated through solid rock. The entire length of the line is to be 210 miles. It is being built by a company of which Jere Baxter of Nashville is president. Tennessee Central Construction.

General Manager T. K. Scott of the Georgia Railroad, may become the vice president of the Plant system. This is the story afloat among the Plant system people, who believe that the recent election of Morton F. Plant to the vice presidency of the system is to hold good for but a short time. The annual election of directors of the Plant system will be held in the early fail, but it is not likely, so the story goes, that Mr. Scott will then be chosen, as his contract with the Georgia Railroad will not have expired. It is said Mr. Scott was approached when S. R. Knott resigned, but it was discovered that he cauld not then get away from the Georgia, as his contract with that road will not expire until January 1. May Elect T. K. Scott.

Erie and Western in Trouble. An alleged violation of the joint passenger agreement is attributed to the Lake Erie and Western and the matter is to be brought before the Joint Passenger Computer at a mostling to be held goon. mittee at a meeting to be held soon. According to report the Lake Erie and West-

ern made an unauthorized rate for glass-

Mill Lengths of Dress Goods!

Entire product of a New England manufacturer bought at exactly 50c on the Dollar, and on sale to-morrow in our basement! Lengths range from 2 to 10 yards and comprise all colors, including plenty of black and dark shades. Handsome Serges, Henriettas, Coverts, Nuns' Veilings and many other popular weaves, at these quick-selling prices. They'll cost at least 25 per cent more if bought later:

Lot 1-Pretty Nun's Veiling, in pink, Lot 3-Four cases of Henriettas, in blue, cream, lavender, black, etc.— various colors and black-29c is the regular 19c goods,

Lot 2-Fine Cashmeres, in all colors and black-worth fully 25c-in this in all colors and black-well worth

usual price -in this

MATINEE TICKETS.

With every purchase at Grand-Leader we give FREE a ticket admitting lady to seat in reserved section at Suburban Garden-good for any matinee, except on Sundays or holidays.

POST OFFICE.

A substation of the U.S. P. O. Department has been established on our main floor, where our patrons can obtain stamps, postal cards, postal orders, registered mail, etc., etc.



Advance Embroidered Spachtels.

A shipment just received from St. Gall, Switzerland, and on sale for first time to-morrow, including a special assortment of handsome Embroidered Spachtel Scarfs, 11/2 yards long or 32 inches square, in hundreds of new and striking styles and patterns. Two lots.

Lot 1- Embroidered Spachtel Scarfs, Lot 2-Embroidered Spachtel Scarfs, Doylies-2,000 dozen pretty embroidered Spachtel Doylles, 7x; inches, and worth at least 10c-Monday,

lies, in beautiful patterns, 9x9 inches, and really worth 19c-Monday. Embroidered Spachtel Doylies, 12x12 inches-a splendid assortment of 121/2C

1,000 dozen embroidered Spachtel Doy-

worth up to \$1.25, at, each Mats-Pretty embroidered Spachtel Mats, 16x16 inches-worth Squares-24-inch Imported Spachtel Squares-worth 85c, at,

Dresser Sets-Consisting of scarf 11/2 yards long, one mat 12 in he's square, and two doylles 7 in. square. 98c, 75c, 59c three lots at per set. 98c, 75c, 59c

We Willingly Lose Profits to Gain Room!

Waists and Skirts.

Extraordinary reductions for Monday. All summer garments marked for quick disposal, regardless of everything except our immediate need of room for the new fall goods. A tour of all stores in St. Louis will not discover values that can even AP-PROACH these.



Shirt Waists of fast-color percale in pink, blue or lavender stripes, with French backs and soft flaring cuffs-rebacks and soft flaring cuffs-recently sold at 69c-Monday, each. . 15c An odd lot of Colored Percale Shirt Waists previously sold at 75c- choice of all sizes Monday at 25c Pretty Colored Shirt Waists of Percales, Ginghams, Madras and Chambray-some plain, others prettily trimmed—original prices were \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 49c

Monday we offer you choice of any Colored Shirt Waist in our entire stock regardless of cost or former price-many of them originally sold at \$3.00— 980 take your choice Monday at White Lawn Waists in newest styles at the following big reductions:

\$1.50 White Waists now 49c \$2.00 White Waists now.....75c \$2.50 White Waists now.... 98c \$3.00 and \$4.00 Waists now.\$1.48 Wash Skirts of Linen Crash, Pique, Gala-

tea, Coyerts and Denims, trimmed with braid or insertions—formerly sold up to \$3.00—choice.......98c 100 new Rainy-Day Skirts of All-Wool

ford, inverted pleat back, nicely finished seams and 8 rows stitching \$3.98 at bottom-sold elsewhere at \$6.00-our price Handsome Taffeta Silk Dress Skirts (like illustration) with two plain ruffles trimmed with rows of velvet ribbon-good percaline lining-worth

More Remarkable Bargains in Our

Cool, Airy Basement.

No matter how large the crowds attracted by these matchless offerings, you will now find our basement as comfortable as any other floor, thanks to a new and effective system of ventilation whereby a current of cool, fresh air is constantly forced through the entire space.

White Goods-Of good quality, in 5c Crash-Heavy 18-inch Huck Roll-fancy checks and plaids, worth 10c. 5c er Toweling, worth 83c, at...... 5c India Linen-40-inch White 121/2c Lawns-Fancy Corded and India Linen, worth 20c, at. . . 121/2c Printed Dress Lawns, worth 71/2c, at 3c Long Cloth-Splendid quality softfinish English Long Cloth, in 12-yard lengths—worth \$1.75—from 8 to 10, 12 yards for 980

Napkins-Large linen-fringed Dinner 20x21-inch All-Linen German Dice Pat-tern Napkins, worth \$1.50, Table Sets-Fancy white cloth, 21/2 yards long, with red border, and one

dozen napkins to match, worth \$2.75--Monday, set. . \$1.98 Fancy Linens-Hemstitched, embroidered and open - worked squares and Swiss-Imported Dotted Swiss, having white ground with pink, blue, lavender

Dress Linen—Good quality Brown Dress Linens, worth 35c, at 150 White Flannel-Plain White White Flannel—Plain White Wool Flannel, worth 35c, at..... 19c

Solid Colored Navy Blue Corded Lawns, Lace Grenadines and Corded Batistes, worth up to 20c-Madras -33-in. finest striped Madras Shirting, worth 25c, at.. 71/20

Black Sateen-32-in. Solid Black Dress Sateens, worth 15c, at...... 7½0 Skirtings-Imported Duck Skirtings in navy blue stripes and gray mixturesimported to sell at 25c-

Monday at 10c Muslin, worth 71/2c, at. 50 Cambric-Yard-wide Wamsutta Mills Bleached Cambric, worth 10c. 6C Muslin-Genuine Fruit of the Loom yard-wide Twilled Muslin, 7½0 Sheeting-Bleached Sheeting, 21/2 yds. as one case lasts.

White Spreads, in Marseilles white Spreads, in Marseilles patterns, worth 90c, at, each ... 69c

are required to report to station agents every morning the number of tramps seen the previous day, with a description of each one and the direction in which he

was traveling.

—Statistics to August 1 show that 1,700 cars of peaches were handled by the three systems of railways entering Savannah—the Central, the Plant and the Scaboard Air Line. Of these, the Central, along whose

ILLINOIS TEACHERS.

Those Who Received Certificates

for Life or for Five Years.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 11.—As a result of the examinations held July 31 to August 3, 1900, the Superintendent of Public Instruc-tion will issue State certificates to the fol-

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

wide and worth 25c-Monday, as long as one case lasts, per yard 17½C Spreads-Large double-bed size Crochet

of Fall Goods, for which room must be made AT ONCE! Values, prices and profits are all ignored to-morrow in a desperate attempt to clear out all Summer Goods at whatever sacrifice.

Our buyers are purchasing immense stocks

Laces, Veilings, Etc.

Insertions, formerly sold up to 10c, but having become slightly soiled we close

ings, up to 1 inch wide, and really 15c worth 25c; Monday, per doz. yds. 15c

In Basement-Pretty Embroideries and Main Floor-All our prettiest neckwear novelties, including Chiffon and Lace Ties, Jabots and Pancy Stock Collars, choice, Monday 39c French Valenciennes Laces and Bead- Fine Veilings, in black, cream and col-

Summer Clothing.

For Boys and Young Men-3d floor. years of age; Monday's Special Clearance Price...... \$1.95

Wash Suits-For Boys of 3 to 8 years, made of fine Galatea, handsomely trimmed and sold regularly at \$1.50, \$2.00 and

Coats-And Coats and Vests made of all-wool navy blue and black serges, and well worth \$5.00; Monday, to close them \$2.45

Undermuslins.

Good Muslin Gowns, Chemises, Umbrella Skirts and Drawers in new styles, tastefully trimmed with embroidery and laces—worth 89c and 98c—choice 59c Umbrella Skirts of fine muslin with

deep India linen flounce, finished with embroidery flounce and dust ruffle—

Infants' Shirts-For ages up to 3 years, made of silk with open fronts and pearl buttons, intended to sell at \$1.00 and \$1.25, but as most of them are the least bit imperfect we offer you choice

Handkerchiefs.

Ladies' Plain White or Colored Border Handkerchiefs, also Men's Handker-chiefs with corded borders, worth 10c-Monday in basement, each...3c Men's-Seconds of men's fine Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs with pretty colored borders, worth up to

Toilet Requisites.

Talcum Powder-"Arline" perfumed-

3 boxes 10c. Soap-Cocoa Castile-large cake for 5c. Soap-Cosmo-Buttermilk-per cake, 5c. Tooth Brushes-A sample lot-worth to 40c-at 10c. Sachet Envelope-Lundborg's 25c size

for 10c. Perfume-Triple ext., fancy bottle, 15c. Witch Hazel-6-oz. bottle for only 10c. Gas Fixtures. A lucky enables us to offer these remarkable values. 'Twill pay you to buy now for future

36-in. one-light-polished Two-light-with globe Two-light-fancy center, with globe rings-\$1.48 and \$2.48 Three-light-fancy centers, with gle rings-at \$1.85, \$2.85

Gas Wall Brackets-stiff, each 19c

Gas Wall Brackets-swing, each 29c Lace Curtains.

59c per pair for \$1.10 plain white fluted Swiss Curtains, full width and 3 yards long.

69¢ per pair for \$1.25 Nottingham Lace Curtains, 46 inches wide and 3% yards long.

\$1.00 per pair for \$1.50 Notting-ham Lace Curtains. 3% yards long and 54 inches wile.

\$1.39 per pair for \$2.50 Scotch Lace Curtains, 31/2 yards long and 60 inches wide. \$1.75 per pair for \$3.00 Scotch Lace Curtains, 31/2 yards

long and 60 inches wide. \$2.50 per pair for \$4.00 Irish Point Lace Curtains, 59 inches wide and 35, yaras long. \$3.50 per pair for \$5.00 Irlsh Point Lace Curtains, with open-work borders.

A Sale Best Summer Shoes.

The best products of America's foremost makers-Ladies' stylish summer shoes and Oxfords, superior in appearance, in comfort and in wearing qualities. There has been some marvelous selling here during the past week-the wonder is how such bargains can continue-how much longer is uncertain, but we are sure of these splendid offers for Monday:

Special From 8 to 9 A. M. Monday.

85 pairs of Ladies' Sample Shoes, in one size only-4 A-made of fine tan kid and calf, in hand turns and Goodyear welts, with cloth or kid tops and Louis XV or military heels-regular \$3, \$4 and \$5 shoes—only one pair to a customer and only for the one hour, at, per pair.....

Women's \$2.50 and \$2.00 handturn Oxfords, of black or tan Paris kid-choice, per pair

Women's \$2.50 and \$2.00 black kid Lace Shoes, with flexible solesper pair Women's hand-turn Oxfords, of

black or tan glazed kid, really worth \$3.00-per pair Women's \$3.00 black or tan Shoes, in all the newest styles-

choice in this sale at...... Women's \$4.50, \$4.00 and \$3.50 Shoes, either black or tanper pair



Carpet Department.

50 rolls Extra Heavy Linoleum-sold regularly elsewhere at 65c-here

Monday at..... 100 rolls of Jointless China Matting-you would think it good value at 30c-

our special price..... 150 Handsome Brussels Rugs, in room sizes (9x12 feet), worth fully \$18.00-

Monday, each.....

For the Household



Dinner Sets-We have on hand a number of sets in which some pieces have become broken or a bit damaged—these sets sold regularly all the way from \$9 to \$17, but in order to close them out quickly we offer you choice \$6.98 Monday at, per set.......\$6.98

Cuspidors of good earthenware, with Lamp Globes - Large ones, handsomely decorated and tinted in several designs

-regular price \$1.50-

Roach Food-Peterman's Roach roaches, at, per can, 20c and 10c Brooms-3-string Brooms 19c Filters-Little Brown Jug Fil-



\$2.50-Mon-\$1.89

Professional Sets, with 9-in. \$1.65 mallets, worth \$3.00, for \$1.65

blowers from Indiana points to New York and routed its passengers in a way that was forbidden. The movement of glassblowers was a large one, and all the railroads in that territory were after the business.

The party in this case was routed over the Lake Erie and Western to Sandusky and thence over the Lake Shore to Busialo and from there to New York via the West Shore

Rattrond for Honduras. New York, Aug. 11.—Sir David Wilson, Governor of British Honduras, is in the city on his way to London. He will sail to-day for Liverpool. He has lived in the tropics nearly thirty years. In speaking of the purpose of his visit to England, he said: "What British Honduras demands most "What Eritish Honduras demands most imperatively is railroads. For this reason I am going to London to endeavor to obtain financial backing for a railroad running from Belize, the capital and chief seaport of our Crown Province, into the neighboring State of Guatemala. The proposed road will be about 100 miles and will connect with the chief lines of Guatemala.

Honors to a Train Dispatcher. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Texarkana, Tex., Aug. 11.—George Geiger, chief train dispatcher for the Southern division of the Kanasa City Southern, at this place, was taken from a sick bed to-day and carried to Mineral Wells, Tex., to regain his health. From there he will take a two months' tour of the United States, the railroad company bearing all expenses and allowing his salary to run. The company assumes this attitude toward him in testimony of its appreciation of his valuable services. Mr. Geiger has been down for the past five weeks with slow fever. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Personal and Current Notes. C. S. Crane, general passenger agent the Wabash, left last night for De-

-Bryan Snyder, general passenger agent of the St. Louis and San Francisco, has gone East. gone East.

-C. B. Phelps, superintendent of transportation of the L. & N. system, with headquarters in Louisville, was presented with a \$1,000 silver service by his associates and subordinates at Nashville. Mr. Phelps has been assistant superintendent of the Nashville division for many years.

-Officers of the Oregon Railroad Company have decided to begin construction at once. Leaving the Oregon and California Southern Pacific at a point just north of Klamath River the line will traverse a heavy timber belt north of that river and by a fairly direct route reach Klamath Falls in the Oregon lake region. The estimate of the cost is \$2,151,000. The company is bonded for \$3,000,000.

-The shipments of fruit to the North by pany is bonded for \$3,000,000.

The shipments of fruit to the North by way of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railway have been extremely heavy this year. During one day recently affty-two carloads of melons alone were sent to the Northern market, while during the month of July 311 carloads of peaches, 565 carloads of melons and thirty-seven carloads of pears were carried.

-W. G. Besler has been appointed super-intendent of the Lebanon division of the Philadelphia and Reading in place of A. M. Wilson, resigned.

-Section foremen on the Grand Trunk

loads of pears were carried.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Quincy, Ill., Aug. 11.—August Eberhart, a farmer from near Maywood, Mo., while driving across the Omaha, Kansas City and Eastern Railway track this evening, was struck by a passenger train and cut in two under the wheels. The horses had just crossed the track, leaving the wagon squarely across the rails when the engine came in contact with it. Low Rates to Michigan and Wis-

consin.

Farmer Killed by a Train.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

HOW MANDARINS OF CHINA WAX RICH.

Line. Of these, the Central, along whose lines are situated the big orchards of Georgia, handled 1,420 cars. The officials of the Plant system estimate the shipment over its lines at between 159 and 290 cars, and the Seaboard Air Line is credited with 110 cars. The total contract the best of the contract of the contr Makeshift System of Taxation Which Permits of All Sorts cars. The total, as stated, is about 1,700 cars of the fruit handled, making a train nearly thirteen miles long up to August 1, and the season is not yet over. of Corruption.

SALT MONOPOLY AN INSTANCE.

Government Sells It at Nine Times Its Cost, but Is Robbed of the Profit in Various Ways.

ison, the superintendent of Public Instruction will issue State certificates to the following persons:

Life Certificates—D. Walter Potts, Litchfield; Harry C. Miller, Nokomis; M. L. Fritz,
Hardinville; Mrs. Kate Chapman, Murphysboro; Edward Lewis Blake, Carbondaie; J.
M. Wood, Chicago; W. J. Sutherland, Oregon; Jesse J. Bullock, El Paso; Chas, Gott,
Atwood; Addie L. Healey, Streator; Nora
Mae Simmons, Joetta; John A. Strong,
Blggsville; Gertrude E. Ross, Fulton; Winfield Turner, Peoria; L. A. Fulwider, Petersburg; G. W. L. Meeker, Petersburg; Thomas J. Haney, Mechanicsburg; Guy W. Bohannan, Chesterfield; Geo. C. Baker, Hamilton; Ely Laughlin, New Canton; Josiah
Main, Perry; Edward E. Adams, Taylorville; Norman Bennett, Westfield; Albert L.
Voilborn, Broadlands; Franklin L. Horn,
Stanford; J. D. Foucht, Effingham; John C.
Hall, Whiting, Ind.; Grant Thornton, Sadorus.
Elye-year certificates—William Ery Ma-The Republic Bureau, 14th St. and Pennsylvania Ave. Washington, Aug. 11.-Owing to the fact that there is nothing in the shape of an annual budget prepared by the authorities at Pekin, it is impossible to arrive at any but an approximate estimate of the revenues which are at the disposal of the central and provincial Chinese Governments The Board of Revenue, which nominally su-Hall, Whiting, Ind.; Grant Thornton, Sadorus.

Five-year certificates—William Fry, Maroa; Stewart W. Kincald, Effingham; A. P. Spencer, Bridgeport; Geo. S. Morris, Lovington; J. J. Ferguson, Palestine; Lizzie Johnston, Hardinville; W. H. Pyle, Stokes; W. C. Burt, Palestine; Jas. A. Hodge, Danvers; Cella Mills, Fairman; Hugh A. Bone, Sullivan; Edgar S. Jones, Cisco; James R. Forden, Springfield; Chas. W. Yerkes, Brighton; Harry A. Wood, Assumption; Richard Linder, Arenzville; Harry G. Spear, Grape Creek; Chas H. Watts, Philo. perintends the financial administration of the Empire, simply makes an estimate of the sums required for the ensuing year and then apportions them among the various provinces. The money is collected by the agents of the provincial governments and paid by them into the provincial treasuries. the exact amount required by the central Government being then forwarded by the Viceroy or Governor to the board at Pekin. The balance of taxation remaining after this payment has been made to the imperial exauthorities, who do not seem to render any account of the manner in which it has been expended. An exception is, of course, formed n the matter of foreign maritime customs, which are collected directly by the agents of the Imperial Government, there being also a few of the native custom-houses which pay their levies without intermediary Apply at Illinois Central City Ticket Office, 218 N. Broadway, for cheap rates to Michigan and Wisconsin points. The sources of revenue may be grouped

under the following headings: Land taxes, grain tax, sait monocole, foreign maritime

customs, likin (inland transit dues), native total revenue from salt is stated to be 13,customs and land transfer fees, licenses, special levies, etc. Corruption in Yang-Tse District.

A vast amount of peculation is said to go en in the Yang-tse provinces, which show a greatly diminished revenue from this source. The officials pretend that the land is still suffering from the devastation created by the Tai Ping rebellion, whereas almost the whole of it has been reclaimed and is yielding abundant crops. That is, of course, a more serious form of embezziement than that tacitly encouraged by the central authorities as it deprives the Im-perial Government of the legitimate tax. Two provinces, Klang-Su and Che-Klang, pay tribute in rice. The local officials, in order to make as good a thing out of it as possible, collect the tax in copper "cash" and then purchase the rice in the open market as advantageously as they can. The profit on the transaction finds its way, of ourse, into the pockets of the mandarins The farmers are the people who suffer by this method of collecting the tax, as they are made to pay not only the price of the grain, but the extravagant cost of tran sit to the capital and the fees incidental to its expedition.

A large sum of money is, in fact, squandered by those Provinces in transporting the rice to Pekin, everybody being concerned in making as much out of it as possible. The total amount of grain tax paid into the provincial treasuries is estimated at 6.562. 00 taels, of which sum four-fifths reach Pekin.

Foreign Salt Barred.

It has often been suggested that China should raise additional funds by permitting the importation of foreign salt, but Government has not seen its way clear to nterfere with the enormous vested interests in the present monopoly.

The sait supply is administered by the division of the country into seven principal districts, each of which possesses the sole monopoly within its boundaries, and it is not permissible to dispose of any salt outside of the district in which it has been produced, except under special circumstances. Everybody is at liberty to manufacture as much salt as he pleases, but he is obliged to sell it either to Government officials or to licensed sait merchants. The general system is, however, for the officials of the Salt Department to purchase the salt chequer belongs, apparently, to the local from the producers and sell it to the licensed merchants at a remunerative

The consumer is made to pay for his salt nearly nine times the price at which the cident Government purchases it from the producer, Day vet no more than a quarter of this enormous profit is stated as revenue—that is to say three-quarters of the gross profits on the sale of salt are swallowed up by the exsale of sait are swanowed up by the expenses of administration, etc., a proportion laryngitis.

Which, like everything else connected with Chinese finance, can only be explained by the colousel dishonesty of the officials. The which, like everything else connected with Chinese finance, can only be explained by the colossel dishonesty of the officials. The

653,000 taels. Dishonesty and Extortion.

An account of China's finances is a sorry story of dishonesty and extortion. It would be imposible to state what fraction this meager revenue represents of the sums ac-tually collected by the officials, but there is no doubt whatever that the greater part of Chinese taxation goes to swell the private fortunes of the Mandarins. For this state of affairs the system is as much to blame as tne individual. Credit should also be given to the officials for the fact that a percentage of their illegal exaction goes into the expenses of the local administration. The parsimony of the central Government has salaries and allowances awarded to the provincial officials being totally ina the latter are left to make up the deficiency as best they can. A few generations of this absurd and impolitic system have sufficed to turn the whole Chinese administrative body into a seething mass of canker and corruption, and to this alone may be as cribed the fact that the Government of China is not one of the richest in the world.

CROWDS TO GO TO SEDALIA. Butler-Bryan Club Will Be There in a Body. From the number of letters received at

From the number of letters received at Democratic headquarters in the Laclede from organizations over the State, an immense crowd will be present at Sedalia on August 21. President Bruce Ludwick of the Butler-Bryan Club declares he will take the whole club, 250 strong, to Sedalia on that date. Other clubs all over the Southwest and Central Missouri are expecting to attend in force. the southwest and Central Missouri are expecting to attend in force.

At a meeting of the Jefferson Club Monday night the question of attending the meeting in a body will be discussed and decided. A large number of St. Louis Democrats probably will attend the meeting.

Burial Permits. Johann F. Schake, 7 days, No. 4122 Chippewa; atelectatis pulmonum. James J. Phillips, 25 years, No. 3909 Page; accident. Lenia Davis, 78 years, No. 3923 Folsom; ab-August Stricker, 59 years, No. 2013 Palm; ton-silitis. silitis.

James H. Denins, 71 years, No. 4242 Cook;
gangrene of foot.

Otto A. Schmidt, 25 years, No. 1915 O'Fallon; accident.
Sylvester F. Gaeng, 17 years, No. 3314 North
Ninth; heart disease.
Martin fieltiand, 39 years, No. 2202 Warren;
tuberculosis.
Edward O'Brien, 8 months, No. 1407 North Twenty-nrst; inanition.

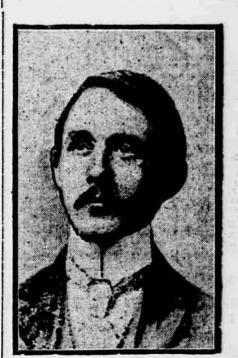
Bertha Whitlow, 14 years, near Hannibal, Mo.;

Homer Hoekstre, 33 years, City Hospital; ac-David L. Myerscough, 2 years, No. 4420 Swan; congestive fever, Louisa Gates, 67 years, No. 2809 Thomas; pneumonia. Carl Heider, 30 years, No. 1314 Lanch; congestive fever. Mary Dauphin, 1 year, No. 1803 South Ninth;

ST. LOUIS ORGANIST ABROAD.

George Allaway Wins Honors in London, England. George Allaway, a St. Louis boy, has at-

tained considerable distinction in England s an organist. Mr. Allaway has been made an "Associate of the Royal College of Organists of London," and has also been appointed assistant organist and choirmaster of the historic St.



GEORGE ALLAWAY.

Peter's Church, at Eaton Square, London,
George Allaway is the son of W. J. Allaway of No. 5087 Minerva avenue, a prominent member of the Merchants' Exchange.
He was born in St. Louis and received his
education in this city. When quite a small
boy he showed a remarkable talent for
music. After spending some time in study
he became a pupil of Professor Darby, organist of the Christ Church Cathedral.
Three years ago he went to England and received instructions from Professor Huntley,
the well-known London organist. Since
that his advancement has been very rapid.

Republicans Hoist a Flag. A flag-raising was held last night by the members of the Flory-Fleming Club at Webster. The flag was thrown to the breeze at Lockwood and Gore avenues. Several speeches were made.